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Seven Look at Unconscious Form by Roadside and Then Speed On

Prompt action on the part of Charles Stumm, a baker, of Merchantville, N. J., last night saved the life of fifteen-month-old Boston Martin, of that town, after the boy had been thrown from a motorcar and passing motorists refused to take the injured boy to the Cooper Hospital, Camden.

The accident occurred at Maple avenue and Church road, according to James B. McGuckin, of Woodlyn, N. J., driver of the car. Martin stepped from behind a trolley car directly in the path of the motor, which knocked him down and ran over his body.

McGuckin, unnerved by the accident, was unable to operate his car and he told Camden police later he hailed seven motorists in an attempt to have the boy taken to the hospital. Physicians, motorists, McGuckin said, refused aid and sped away after taking one look at the unconscious and bleeding form by the roadside.

McGuckin finally managed to get Martin in his machine and drove a short distance to the heart of Merchantville, where he found Stumm, who drove to Cooper Hospital. Physicians at the hospital said that Stumm's action probably saved the boy from bleeding to death.

Martin was the sixth time in two years that Stumm has saved lives by prompt action at the time of accidents.

### BIND AND GAG CLERK IN CIGAR STORE AT BROAD AND SANSON

Is Forced to Open Safe by Two Bandits as Crows Pass Shop

ICE MAN FINDS VICTIM LYING ON THE FLOOR

Police Sergeant Batters Down Door and Releases Victim

Armed bandits forced Jack Auerback, of 301 De Laney street, a clerk in the United Cigar Store at Broad and Sanson streets, to unlock the safe at the morning, while hundreds of persons were passing the place on their way to work.

Auerback was found ten minutes after they had left bound and gagged on the floor. It was necessary to break in to rescue him. The amount stolen will not be known for twenty-four hours.

The clerk told the police a thrilling story of how robbers who evidently had made a careful study of the store and the habits of its employees before the early morning raid.

"I opened the store at 7 o'clock, the usual hour," he told the police. "While I was unlocking the door I noticed two men loitering nearby, but paid little attention to them. I thought they might be customers who had waited for me to open up."

Covered With Gun

"The store was dark. I walked to the rear, with the door open behind me, to switch on the lights. As I reached for the switch I felt something pressed against the back of my head, and a voice said:

"Don't switch on those lights."

"I said 'Right-o' and turned around. I saw two men. One had a gun with the other a blackjack. The man with the gun said 'Get around and open that safe, and the other pointed the gun at me. I said I didn't know the combination. At that the man with the blackjack raised it and threatened me. 'You open that safe and be quick about it,' he ordered."

"I got down on my knees in front of the safe and started to turn the combination. I took too long about it to suit the man with the gun, and he pulled out his watch.

"He said 'You have ten seconds to get that safe open or I'll shoot you. I got it open right away. They pulled out the steel strong box, but it was locked. 'Hand over the keys,' one of them ordered. I threw the keys on the counter."

Bound and Gagged

"They opened the strong box to make sure the money was there, then closed it again and locked it. They left the keys on the counter. The man with the gun said 'Get around and open that safe. When I did, they tied my hands behind my back and tied my ankles. They put a gag in my mouth and tied it to the door handle. They then said 'Don't be afraid, boy, we left it quick enough so you wouldn't smother to death.'"

"When they went out and slammed the door behind them, I looked out the place at the rear of the store to the front door.

A few moments later Daniel Hagy, of 812 South 15th street, a grocer, and his man who delivers to the office buildings in the neighborhood, and is in the habit of stopping daily at the cigar store, came and rattled the door. He opened it to see what was going on. He got no answer, as he knew the store opened daily at 7. He saw Auerback lying on the floor.

"Dan O'Neill, of the Fifteenth and Locust streets station, passed at that moment and Hagy called to him. The sergeant kicked in the door and saw the body. He then called to the clerk. Auerback was dead a bit, but unhurt."

Carroll Jordan, district superintendent for the company, said it was customary for the night clerk before closing to leave cash for the day man in the safe. It might not be possible, Mr. Jordan said, to be sure of the amount left in the safe, but he believed a check-up is made. He said he did not believe the amount was large.

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Taking the hills of Jersey on high and speeding through the valleys, John Williams, of the Meadowbrook Club, of this city, came within fifteen seconds of overhauling Lokka, of the Finnish-American Club, of New York, on the second lap of the sixty-mile relay marathon from Camden to Atlantic City today.

Williams started three minutes and thirty-eight seconds behind his rival at Bellmawr and in the short stretch of four and a half miles he made up all but eighteen seconds of this time. The first two Finnish runners made the first two laps from Camden in 1 hour 5 minutes and 19 seconds. The Meadowbrook Club did the two laps in 1:02:44.

The second lap ended at Blackwood, N. J., which is eleven miles from Camden. The first lap ended at Bellmawr, six and a half miles from the starting point.

Harold Prim, the famous distance runner from the Finnish-American Club, ran the first seven and he finished three minutes and thirty-eight seconds ahead of Scudero, of Meadowbrook. He did the distance in 35:30.

There was a sensational fight for second place in the first lap between Stagg, of the first team, and the other papers were telling of English victories in France those who are shipping sheets were filled with gloom. They said that the losses in the British ranks had been frightful, and they dared to lay the blame upon a shortage of high explosives and shells. They said that the most of the victory had not been the truth and hinted of actual incompetence in the field.

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Relief Train With 125 Sufferers Reaches San Bernardino With Passengers Marooned Four Days in Arizona Desert

'Watchful Waiting' Marks Rail Strike Developments

Harding awaits reply of striking shom-men and announcement of what brotherhoods will do.

One thousand seven hundred passengers marooned in tie-up on Santa Fe line, Governor of Arizona orders probe.

A relief train, carrying 125 passengers who have been marooned at Needles, Ariz., reached San Bernardino.

Fruit growers expect to lose more than \$1,000,000 a day on account of embargo.

California train service badly crippled. Many cities without mails.

present about five sizes too large for the water it is carrying. Striking a few young trees and a green lawn here and there. Scatter a small western toad over an area, perhaps a mile square, when it might be compressed into four or five blocks. Place over it a tray, sky, an intense, penetrating heat and a hot breeze that dries the marrow, and a fair idea of Needles will result.

Nineteen abandoned trains, with approximately 1700 passengers on board, still marooned in Arizona, New Mexico and Southern California.

United States Attorney Burk, of the Southern District of California, res-

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### ANTHRACITE PEACE PARLEY CALLED HERE

Operators Invite Lewis to Conference Next Wednesday

ACTION BASED UPON PLEA BY HARDING

President, in Letter to Pepper, Says Disaster Faces Nation Unless Strike Ends

OLD WAGE TO BE RESTORED

They Will Be Adjusted Later, Together With Shamokin Demands by Special Board

Peace in the anthracite coal fields, through the intervention of President Harding, was forecast today in an interchange of telegrams between S. D. Warriner, spokesman for the operators, and John L. Lewis, president of the miners.

The telegrams arranged for a meeting between the warring interests to be held in Philadelphia Wednesday.

Both leaders expressed the hope that the strike was now about to be settled and coal production resumed.

The first telegram, directed by Mr. Warriner to Mr. Lewis, was received yesterday, and was followed by a conference in this city called at the instance of President Harding.

The President, in a letter to Senator Pepper, who attended the conference yesterday, declared the country faced a "national-wide disaster" if the strike were not settled immediately.

Mr. Warriner's telegram to Mr. Lewis invited a meeting here Wednesday, and expressed the confident hope that it would bring a satisfactory end to the present trouble.

Lewis Accepts Proposal

Mr. Warriner takes the view that the miners might be induced to go back to work by the promise of a conference and questions which have bedeviled the strike and the operators be submitted to the conference.

Mr. Warriner speaks with authority in the matter of the strike, as he is head of the operators' Sons' Committee.

Mr. Lewis wired to Mr. Warriner Monday.

"The broad promise upon which you have based your invitation is commendable, and augurs well for the success of the conference."

News of the President's message, sent to the operators through Senator Pepper, and of the operators' action, was given out today by Mr. Warriner. He said he had attended a conference last evening at the home of William A. Glasgow, Jr., general counsel for the miners, at Chestnut Hill. It was attended by Governor Sprunt, Senator Pepper, W. J. Richards, president of the Reading Coal and Iron Company, and Mr. Warriner.

President Harding's Letter

The following letter from President Harding to Senator Pepper, was read by the latter.

"I am told that Mr. Lewis has indicated willingness to confer at once with the anthracite operators in case they invite him to do so. I suggest to you, as head of the operators from the State most directly concerned, that the operators will be acting in the public interest if they promptly send him a cordial invitation to attend a conference to be called by them at such time and place as they may choose, with a view to the immediate resumption of production in the anthracite field. I feel justified in making this suggestion, because these operators have made throughout a spirit of cooperation with the Administration in seeking a fair basis upon which to adjust the anthracite strike."

"I understand that as a basis of conference Mr. Lewis stipulates for a return of the men at the old wage scale and the acceptance by the operators of a new contract. I am sure that the operators will indicate a willingness to take the men back at the old scale only if accompanied by other agencies which have an opportunity to examine into the whole situation."

"No Time to Be Lost"

"As to the Shamokin proposals, I am hopeful that Mr. Lewis will regard them as proper for consideration at the conference rather than subjects of commitment or address. I am hopeful of this because I credit both operators and miners with a sincere desire to resume anthracite production, and I am sure that neither will place any unnecessary obstacle in the way of fair adjustment."

"As to the time I hope that the conference will take place in the immediate future."

"No time is to be lost. Even if production resumed at once, the future consequences of past delays may be so great that any further delay in this any further delay will be heard by the

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Robbed of Her Suitcase When on Way Home at 2 A. M.

When walking toward her home, 5432 Westminister avenue, shortly before 2 o'clock this morning, Miss Mary Monahan, nineteen years old, was held up by a Negro and robbed of a suitcase containing her clothes.

The Negro followed the girl when she alighted from a trolley car at Fifty-second street and arrested her at Fifty-third street.

In telling the police of the robbery Miss Monahan said:

"He told me to get into my car and he held a gun to my head. He told me to get into my car, but he was too strong for me. Finally I screamed for help."

Patrolman Scott and Melindoff, of the Fifty-second and Media streets station, attracted by the screams, fired several shots at the Negro as he fled. The suitcase, with some dresses, missing, was later recovered when the third street and Haverford avenue by Patrolman Sheffield.

### MORRIS WISTAR WOOD WEDS MISS EVELYN PAGE IN CHINA

Philan. Debutante is Bride of Young Missionary in Hong Kong

The wedding of Miss Evelyn Page, of Philadelphia, to Morris Wistar Wood, in Hong Kong, China, August 8, was announced today by the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wurtz Page, 1012 Chestnut street. The marriage of members of old Philadelphia families thousands of miles from home, is the outcome of a romance which started two years ago, when Miss Page was a debutante.

After her debut she took up nursing, residing in a hospital as a nurse for the Children's Hospital at Wood, a member of the class of 1921 at the University of Pennsylvania and a graduate engineer, started to missionary work. He has been teaching in China at the Canton Christian College.

Mrs. Page today declared that there was no engagement existing between her and Mr. Wood when the latter left his country, to be gone several years. Miss Page was traveling in the Far East with her uncle, the Rev. Dr. Charles Wood, of Washington, and it was he who performed the marriage ceremony in Hong Kong. Mr. Wood is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horatio Wood, of Philadelphia.

The young couple will spend at least another year in the Orient.

### D'ANNUNZIO BADLY HURT

Italy's Soldier Poet Injured on Building Head by Fall

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The bullet went through the boy's side, but the wound is not serious.

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Roy Smith, 2933 North Marshall street, was bitten five times by a dog this morning at Mount Ephraim and Katlin avenues, Camden. The boy was visiting an uncle there. Anti-rabies were administered at the New Jersey Homeopathic Hospital.

### ABANDONED INFANT SEVERELY BITTEN BY MOSQUITOES

A baby about a year old was found this morning under a bush in Woodland avenue and the tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The child's garments were soaked with rain and the baby's cries were heard by Alexander McCarty, 907 South Fifty-first street, who turned it over to Patrolman Campbell, who took it to the Mercy Hospital.

### PREMIERS HOLD PLENARY SESSION ON REPARATIONS

Payment Pending Decision

London, Aug. 14.—(By A. P.)—Although this morning's session of the League of Nations plenary assembly, the German reparations question, which was arranged for another meeting, was postponed for a few days.

It was announced shortly before 4 o'clock that the plenary session would be held at 5 o'clock.

The Central News correspondent, who understood that the 5 o'clock session would be held at 5 o'clock, said that the conference would not break up because the financial position had been discussed.

Premier Bonaire, of France, and Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister, were as far apart as ever in their views on the reparations question. The situation when the plenary session was held today was separated after a discussion of the reparations question without finding common ground.

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Taking the hills of Jersey on high and speeding through the valleys, John Williams, of the Meadowbrook Club, of this city, came within fifteen seconds of overhauling Lokka, of the Finnish-American Club, of New York, on the second lap of the sixty-mile relay marathon from Camden to Atlantic City today.

Williams started three minutes and thirty-eight seconds behind his rival at Bellmawr and in the short stretch of four and a half miles he made up all but eighteen seconds of this time. The first two Finnish runners made the first two laps from Camden in 1 hour 5 minutes and 19 seconds. The Meadowbrook Club did the two laps in 1:02:44.

The second lap ended at Blackwood, N. J., which is eleven miles from Camden. The first lap ended at Bellmawr, six and a half miles from the starting point.

Harold Prim, the famous distance runner from the Finnish-American Club, ran the first seven and he finished three minutes and thirty-eight seconds ahead of Scudero, of Meadowbrook. He did the distance in 35:30.

There was a sensational fight for second place in the first lap between Stagg, of the first team, and the other papers were telling of English victories in France those who are shipping sheets were filled with gloom. They said that the losses in the British ranks had been frightful, and they dared to lay the blame upon a shortage of high explosives and shells. They said that the most of the victory had not been the truth and hinted of actual incompetence in the field.

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### WED FOLLIES GIRL AFTER 10 YEARS' ABSENCE

Lehigh Graduate and Actress in Unusual Romance

New York, Aug. 14.—Ten years is a long time in love affairs. It is an especially long time when the two principals of the romance do not see each other for that length of time.

When Lillian Woods, of the Ziegfeld Follies, yesterday made known her engagement to Park Alan Grady, son of George H. Grady, Connecticut executive, the accuracy of "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" was exemplified.

"I met ten years ago," she said. "I was only nine then. Park was fourteen. We had a great time in Baltimore together. Her parents were with us and we had become great pals. For six months I had the time of my life and I never forgot Park."

"But I didn't see him for ten years. I often wondered what had become of him. Then, three weeks ago, there he was, sitting in a box right of the stage. He came to the stage door after the show and took me home."

"Love will win. We expect to be married in October."

Grady is a Lehigh College graduate, of a served in the Navy during the war. He is in the freighting business in Manhattan.

### MRS. COOLIDGE IN COLLISION

Car Occupied by Wife of Vice President Dies Another

Bertrand, Mass., Aug. 14.—(By A. P.)—An automobile occupied by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of the Vice President, struck another machine at the intersection of two streets here last night. No one was injured.

The accident was reported to the police by Wallace McCann, driver of the car occupied by Mrs. Coolidge.

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Some of his vagaries

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Then Alfred Harmsworth resolved to start a great paper in England. He began his journalistic career at the age of sixteen. After a spell of work for R. Henderson, the worthy old London Scot, who published such of R. L. Stevenson's fiction in his Young Folks and Weekly Budget, now defunct, but which had a door open for him, he went to the free lance work for morning and evening papers.

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